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Bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Name of vessel.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
Aug. 23	Esther.	19	17	0	41
24	Osceola.	33	0	0	0
24	Alliance.	15	0	0	0
27	Jno. Wilson	17	7	0	0

PERU.

Recurrence of plague on littoral of Peru and northern Bolivia.

The following is received from Minister Dudley at Lima, under date of August 13: Within a few days bubonic plague has reappeared upon the coast of Peru at Mollendo, the port of Arequipa and northern Bolivia (including La Paz), and at Pacasmayo, about 250 miles north of Callao. The number of cases thus far reported is small, but shipping from the two ports named is, of course, subjected to rigid quarantine at all other Peruvian ports.

Little surprise is felt at the return of the plague in view of the outbreak in May at Callao and Pisco, and its existence for several weeks past at Iquique and Valparaiso. It has in truth never disappeared from the coast of these adjoining Republics since it appeared at Callao

over three months ago.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Plague in Cebu.

[Cablegram.]

Manila, September 3, 1903.

WYMAN, Washington:

Plague Cebu. Send two officers and pharmacist.

HEISER.

[The above request was complied with.]

PORTO RICO.

Inspection of immigrants at San Juan, Ponce, and subports.

Assistant Surgeon King, chief quarantine officer for Porto Rico, reports, August 31, as follows:

Report of alien passengers arriving at San Juan during the week ended August 22, 1903.

Date of arrival.	Name of vessel.	Where from.	Number of immi- grants.
Aug. 18	French steamship Saint Simon	Gonaives, Petit Goave, Port au Prince, Port de Paix, Cape Haitien, Puerto Plata.	9
19	Cuban steamship Julia	Habana, Nuevitas, Gibara, Baracoa, Santiago, Santo Domingo, Macoris.	17
21	Spanish steamship Manuel Calvo	Port Limon, Colon, Barranquilla, Cura- çao, Porto Cabello, La Guayra.	7
	Total		33

Report of alien passengers arriving at San Juan during the week ended August 29, 1903.

Date of arrival.	Name of vessel.	Where from.	Number of immi- grants.
Aug. 24	Spanish steamship Juan Forgas	Barcelona, Palma de Mallorca, Valen- cia, Alicante, Malaga, Cadiz, Las Palmas, Tenerife, La Palma.	1
26	American steamship Maracaibo		1
28	Cuban steamship Maria Herrera	Habana, Nuevitas, Gibara, Baracoa,	45
29	Spanish steamship Montevideo	Santiago, and Puerto Plata. Genoa, Barcelona, Malaga, Cadiz, Las Palmas, Tenerife, La Palma.	51
	Total		98

Report of alien passengers arriving at Ponce during the week ended August 22, 1903.

Date of arrival.	Name of vessel.	Where from:	Number of immi- grants.
Aug. 17	French steamship Saint Domingue	Port au Prince, Saint Marc, Jeremie, Les Cayes, Jacmel, Santo Domingo, Mayaguez, P. R.	5
18	Cuban steamship Julia	Habana, Nuevitas, Gibara, Baracoa, Santiago de Cuba, Santo Domingo,	7
20	Spanish steamship Manuel Calvo	Macoris. Colon, Sabanilla, Curaçao, Puerto Ca- bello, La Guaira.	2
	Total		14

Report of alien passengers arriving at Ponce during the week ended August 29, 1903.

Date of arrival.	Name of vessel.	Where from.	Number of immi- grants.
Aug. 28	Spanish steamship Juan Forgas	Barcelona, Palma de Mallorca, Valencia, Alicante, Malaga, Cadiz, Las Palmas, Sánta Cruz de Tenerife, La Palma, San Juan, P. R., Mayagüez, P. R.	
	Total		5

Report of alien passengers arriving during the week ended August 22, 1903, at the six subports of Porto Rico.

Date of arrival.	Name of vessel.	Where from.	Number of immi- grants.
	MAYAQUEZ.		- I
Aug. 16	French steamship Saint Domingue	Port au Prince, Saint Marc, Jeremie, Les Caves, Jacmel, Santo Domingo.	2
19	Cuban steamship Julia	Habana, Nuevitas, Gibara, Baracoa, Santiago, Santo Domingo, Macoris.	2
	Total		4

At the subports of Arecibo, Humacao, Aguadilla, Fajardo, and Arroyo there were no transactions.

Report of alien passengers arriving during the week ended August 29, 1903, at the six subports of Porto Rico.

Date of arrival.	Name of vessel.	Where from.	Number of immi- grants.
Aug. 27	MAYAGUEZ. Spanish steamship Juan Forgas	Barcelona, Palma de Mallorca. Valen- cia, Alicante, Malaga, Cadiz, Las Palmas, Tenerife, La Palma.	1

At the subports of Arecibo, Humacao, Aguadilla, Arroyo, and Fajardo, there were no transactions.

VENEZUELA.

General diffusion of small pox.

Consul Ellsworth at Puerto Cabello reports, August 17, as follows: Smallpox has made its appearance in Maturin. The disease has passed, with fatality, over nearly the whole of the Republic, with the movement of the troops in the campaign.

Foreign and insular statistical reports of countries and cities—Yearly and monthly.

Brazil—Pernambuco.—Two weeks ended June 30, 1903. Estimated population, 200,000. Total number of deaths, 262, including smallpox 2, yellow fever 1, and 45 from phthisis pulmonalis.

Two weeks ended July 15, 1903. Total number of deaths, 240, including smallpox 6, and 37 from phthisis pulmonalis.

DUTCH GUIANA—Paramaribo.—Month of July, 1903. Estimated population, 32,263. Total number of deaths, 94. No contagious diseases reported.

GIBRALTAR.—Two weeks ended August 9, 1903. Estimated population, 27,460. Total number of deaths, 12. No deaths from contagious diseases reported.

Great Britain—England and Wales.—The deaths registered in 76 great towns in England and Wales during the week ended August 15, 1903, correspond to an annual rate of 15.7 per 1,000 of the aggregate population, which is estimated at 15,075,011.

London.—One thousand two hundred and fifty five deaths were registered during the week, including measles 24, scarlet fever 8, diphtheria 11, whooping cough 15, enteric fever 4, and diarrhea 139. The deaths from all causes correspond to an annual rate of 14.2 per 1,000. In Greater London 1,682 deaths were registered. In the "outer ring" the deaths included 4 from whooping cough.

Ireland.—The average annual death rate represented by the deaths registered during the week ended August 15, 1903, in the 21 principal town districts of Ireland was 16.6 per 1,000 of the population, which is estimated at 1,093,289. The lowest rate was recorded in Clonmel